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SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF TERRORIST ACTIVITIES

1. THIS REPORT GIVES A SUMMARY OF POLITICAL VIOLENCE AND
TERRORIST ACTIVITIES THAT HAVE COME TO OUR ATTENTION DURING
THE PERIOD FROM APRIL 1-7, 1977.

2. APR. 1: AT 1649 HRS A VEHICLE LOCATED AT A POLICE SCHOOL
IN BUENOS AIRES WAS SET AFIRE.
AT 1900 HRS A BOMB EXPLODED NEAR AEROPARQUE, THE
DOWNTOWN AIRPORT IN BUENOS AIRES. NO VICTIMS REPORTED.

AT 2000 HRS A BOMB WAS DISCOVERED AT CASEROS AND
MONTES DE OCA ST. WHERE A LONG DISTANCE BUS TRANS-
PORTATION OFFICE IS LOCATED. THE BOMB WAS DE-
ACTIVATED.

AT 2030 HRS A PAMPHLET BOMB EXPLODED AT MONTES
DE OCA STREET.

APR 2: AT 0945 HRS A POLICE CAR WAS ATTACKED AT JONTE AND
BOYACA BY TWO MEN FIRING MACHINEGUNS FROM A
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PEUGEOT 504. ONE OF THE ATTACKERS TOSSED A HAND
GRENADE INTO THE BACK WINDOW OF THE PATROL CAR;
THE RESULTING EXPLOSION DEMOLISHED THE REAR OF
THE CAR. THE ATTACKERS ESCAPED.

AT 1135 HRS AT LARRAZABAL 1400, A TRUCK WAS
LOCATED FULL OF PAMPHLETS AND OTHER TERRORIST

LITERATURE.

AT 1500 HRS AT SANTE FE AND URIBURU, NEAR THE
BUENOS AIRES MEDICAL COLLEGE, A POWERFUL BOMB
WAS DETONATED.

AT 1730 HRS A FEMALE POLICE OFFICER WAS SHOT
AT CASTRO BARROS.

APR. 3: AT SAMUDIO AND ASUNCION SEVERAL PERSONS WERE
OBSERVED STICKING TERRORIST ORGANIZATION POSTERS
ON THE WALLS. THEY WERE BACKED UP BY FOUR
HEAVILY ARMED MEN DRIVING A FORD TORINO.

AT 1000 HRS AT GRAL. PAZ AND CONSTITUYENTES,
SEVERAL PERSONS WERE OBSERVED DISTRIBUTING
TERRORISTS HANDBILLS. THEY WERE SUPPORTED BY
FOUR MEN, HEAVILY ARMED, IN A FORD VEHICLE.
NOTE: ASSUME THAT BOTH REPORTS CONCERNED THE
SAME GROUP.

APR. 4: AT 2205 HRS A BOMB EXPLODED AT THE LAW UNIV. NO
DAMAGE AND NO VICTIMS REPORTED.

AT 2305 HRS AT CONDE 799, BOMB SQUAD RESPONDED TO REPORTS
OF AN EXPLOSIVE DEVICE.

AT 2350 HRS. AT CALLAO AND M.T. DE ALVERA, 17TH PRECINCT
POLICE ARRESTED FOUR PERSONS WHO WERE DISGUISED
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AS MILITARY PERSONNEL.

LA PRENSA REPORTED A GROUP OF UNKNOWN PERSONS THREW AN
INCENDIARY BOMB AGAINST A BUS PARKED AT CENTENERA
3347. THE BUS WAS COMPLETELY DESTROYED BY THE
FIRE. THE TERRORISTS ESCAPED.

APR. 5: AT 0012 HRS, AT PATRICIO AND OLAVARRIA, TWO PERSONS
DRIVING A PEUGEOT WERE DISTRIBUTING PAMPHLETS OF
A TERRORIST ORGANIZATION.

AT 2100 HRS. A FEDERAL POLICE TEAM HELD A SHOOTOUT WITH
TWO MEN AT THE 42ND PRECINCT AND KILLED THEM BOTH.

AT 2000 HRS AN EXPLOSION OCCURRED AT THE CONDOR BUILDING.
A SOLDIER ON DUTY THERE WAS WOUNDED. THIS IS AN
AIR FORCE BUILDING LOCATED IN DOWNTOWN BUENOS
AIRES.

APR. 6: AT 1240 HRS, 3 MEN IN A FORD FALCON THREW A LOW LEVEL EXPLOSIVE AND PAMPHLETS OF A TERRORIST ORGANIZATION AT AZOPARDO 250, IN FRONT OF ARMY HQ.

AT 1320 HRS, AT CORRIENTES 747, BOMB SQUAD RESPONDED TO A REPORT OF AN EXPLOSIVE DEVICE.

AT 2145 HRS, FEDERAL POLICE WERE INVOLVED IN A SHOOTOUT AT CANTILLO 4100. ONE OFFICER WAS SHOT IN THE HEAD AND ONE OFFICER SHOT IN THE CHEST. NO FURTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON THIS INCIDENT.

LA RAZON REPORTED THAT ON APR. 6 IN LA PLATA, APPROXIMATELY 70 KM. FROM BUENOS AIRES, COMBINED SECURITY FORCES ENGAGED IN CONFRONTATION WITH TERRORISTS. AT LEAST FOUR TERRORISTS WERE KILLED. IN A SUBSEQUENT CONFRONTATION, SECURITY FORCES KILLED TWO OTHER TERRORISTS. THE BUENOS
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AIRES HERALD REPORTED FOUR EXTREMISTS WERE KILLED WHILE ATTEMPTING TO STORM A POLICE STATION IN VILLA DIAMANTE, 45 KM NORTHWEST OF BUENOS AIRES. LATER IN THE DAY POLICE STOPPED A MAN AND WOMAN FOR QUESTIONING. THESE PERSONS OPENED FIRE ON THE POLICE WHO RETURNED THE FIRE AND KILLED BOTH SUSPECTS.

APR. 7: AT 0920 HRS AT 27 FEBRERO AND ROCA, TWO MALE BODIES WERE FOUND IN A VACANT LOT. THEY HAD BEEN SHOT SEVERAL TIMES WITH HEAVY CALIBER WEAPONS.

AT 1200 HRS 3 MEN AND A WOMAN ATTACKED A POLICE POST AT REMEDIOS DE ESCALADA ESTE AND ESCAPED IN A FORD FALCON.

AT 1320 HRS GENERAL OPERATIONS FEDERAL POLICE HQ BROADCAST AN ALERT CONCERNING PIPE BOMBS CONTAINING INFORMATION SIMILAR TO THAT FURNISHED TO DEPT IN BUENOS AIRES 2506. POLICE WARNED THAT DETONATING MECHANISMS ON THESE DEVICES ARE EXTREMELY SENSITIVE AND ONLY BOMB SQUAD PERSONNEL SHOULD ATTEMPT TO REMOVE OR HANDLE THIS EXPLOSIVE MECHANISM.

AT 2325 HRS AT THE CORNERS OF NAZCA, NEW YORK, TERRADA AND ASUNCION, AN AIR FORCE PATROL WAS INVOLVED IN A CONFRONTATION WITH EXTREMISTS. FEDERAL POLICE WERE REQUESTED TO ASSIST AND SENT ARMORED CARS, COMBAT GROUPS AND HELICOPTERS. DURING CONFRONTATION SEVERAL POLICE OFFICERS WERE WOUNDED AND TWO TERRORISTS KILLED AND ONE WOUNDED, AND A FEMALE TERRORIST WAS ARRESTED BY THE ARMY.

3. IN RECENT DISCUSSIONS WITH POLICE AND MILITARY OFFICERS,
THEY HAVE INDICATED THE AREAS OF ROSARIO, CORDOBA
AND TUCUMAN ARE NO LONGER SUBJECT TO MAJOR TERRORIST
THREATS OR HARASSMENT AND THE REMAINING MILITARY
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